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In re Application of

Miichael Wassenberger et al Serial No.: 09/782,874

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: PETITION DECISION

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.181, filed September 10, 2003, for withdrawal of abandonment of the above identified application based on filing of a timely reply. The delay in acting on this petition is regretted.

A review of the file history shows that the examiner mailed an Office action to applicants on November 20, 2002, setting a three month shortened statutory period for reply. Upon failure to receive a reply the examiner mailed a Notice of Abandonment to applicants on July 15, 2003. Applicants state that a reply was filed May 20, 2003, accompanied by a three month extension of time request and fee. The submission has now been located and correlated with the file. In view of the evidence presented the Notice of Abandonment was mailed in error and is withdrawn and the application is restored to pending status with the mailing of this decision.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The application will be forwarded to the examiner for further consideration.

Should there be any questions about this decision please contact William R. Dixon, Jr., by letter addressed to Director, TC 1600, at the address listed above, or by telephone at 571-272-0519 or by facsimile sent to the general Office facsimile number.

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